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JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. – The new St. Charles Road overpass in Columbia is taking shape as construction hits a major milestone this week with the installation of girders.

For the safety of drivers under the bridge, Interstate 70 traffic will narrow and be rerouted in two-hour windows during the overnight hours so crews can safely place these large beams, which will support the driving surface of the new bridge. Access to St. Charles Road will also be restricted. Anticipated timing and traffic impacts:

- **9 – 11 p.m. Wednesday, May 20:** Eastbound I-70 narrowed to one lane and routed up and over the ramps at Exit 131 (St. Charles Road/Lake of the Woods Roads).
  - No access to or from St. Charles Road and eastbound I-70.
  - Westbound I-70 and the westbound ramps at St. Charles Road are expected to remain open.
- **9 – 11 p.m. Thursday, May 21:** Westbound I-70 narrowed to one lane and routed up and over the ramps at Exit 131 (St. Charles Road/Lake of the Woods Roads).
  - No access to or from St. Charles Road and westbound I-70.
  - Eastbound I-70 and the eastbound ramps at St. Charles Road are expected to remain open.

All work is weather-permitting and subject to change.

MoDOT asks all motorists to work with us by buckling up, putting your phone down, obeying all traffic signs, and slowing down and moving over in work zones.

This work is part of the first project in MoDOT's Statewide Improve I-70 Program, Improve I-70: Columbia to Kingdom City, which will add a third lane of travel in each direction to the 20-mile stretch of I-70 between Columbia) and Kingdom City. This $405 million fixed-cost contract includes new pavement on all three lanes of I-70 and will also make interchange improvements to the I-70 interchanges at U.S. Route 63 and U.S. Route 54.

Missouri's FY2024 budget, approved through the state legislative process and governor, provides $2.8 billion in General Revenue to build a third lane of I-70 across the state. The program will plan, design, construct, reconstruct, rehabilitate, and add a third lane in each direction on nearly 200 miles of I-70, from Blue Springs to Wentzville. For more information on the Improve I-70 Program and to sign up for program e-updates, visit http://www.modot.org/improvei70.

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